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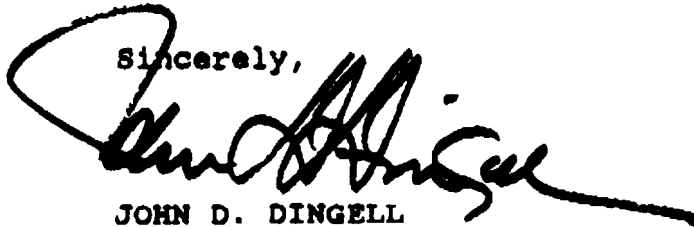
The Honorable James H. Quello
March 23, 1993
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express provisions of the Act itself. The policy goals and objectives that are set forth clearly within the "four corners" of the Act reflect the truest expression of Congressional intent. Although Congress anticipates that the Commission will exercise its discretion under the Act based upon its own expertise and judgment, the language of the Act itself provides the most persuasive source of guidance by which the Commission must construe and implement the new cable policy. If additional guidance is needed, traditional sources of legislative history, including the Statement of Managers and the floor statements of key Members of the House and Senate supporting the legislation, should be consulted.

I urge you and your fellow Commissioners to refrain from succumbing to political pressures -- from any party interested in these proceedings -- to diverge from the clearly articulated provisions of the statute as you adopt regulations to implement this new law.

I ask that a copy of this letter be provided to each of the Commissioners, and that copies be inserted into the public record of all appropriate dockets.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John D. Dingell", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

JOHN D. DINGELL
CHAIRMAN